

REMARKS

The pending claims are the claims as amended under Article 34 of the PCT. These claims have been amended by this preliminary amendment to remove multiple dependencies and reduce filing fees. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached pages are captioned "**Version With Markings To Show Changes Made.**"

Consideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested. Claims 1-17, 19-29, and 31-34 are now pending. Support for new claim 34 is found in original claim 9.

No fee is believed to be due for this Preliminary Amendment. An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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Claims 18 and 30 have been **canceled**.

New claim 34 has been **added**.

Claims 7-11, 16, 19, 28, and 31 have been **amended** as follows:

7. (Amended) A part according to [any one of claims 2 to 6] **claim 2**, in which the shaped member consisting of stabilised zirconia includes a surface having at least one protrusion arranged to form, in use, a corresponding recess or recesses in an article moulded using the part.
8. (Amended) A part according to [any one of claims 2 to 7] **claim 2**, in which the shaped member consisting of stabilised zirconia includes a surface having at least one recessed region arranged to form, in use, a corresponding embossed region or regions on an article moulded using the part.
9. (Amended) A part according to claim 7 [or claim 8], in which said at least one protrusion [or at least one recessed region] is in the form of one or more letters of the alphabet.
10. (Amended) A part according to [any one of claims 2 to 9] **claim 2**, in which the shaped member comprising zirconia is configured and dimensioned to impart to an article to be moulded a feature or features of configuration that is or are substantially invisible to the naked eye.
11. (Amended) A part according to [any one of claims 2 to 10] **claim 2**, in which the shaped member consisting of stabilised zirconia to impart to an article to be moulded a feature of configuration which is suitable for distinguishing the article from a counterfeited article.
16. (Amended) A part according to claim 14 [or 15], in which the shaped member is a linear for the interior of the die.
19. (Amended) A moulding apparatus comprising at least one part according to [any one of claims 1 to 18] **claim 1**.
28. (Amended) A method according to [any one of claims 25 to 27] **claim 25**, in which the moulded article is a tablet.
31. (Amended) A moulded product [manufactured according] **which is administrable to a human or animal, comprising a zirconium-containing compound in an** [to the method of any one of claims 25 to 30] **amount of 0.05 to 20% by weight**.